

As cyber attacks continue unabated, the global population depends upon cybersecurity professionals to protect them from a worldwide army of state-sponsored actors, cyber-criminals, hacktivists, and script kiddies alike. Unfortunately, cybersecurity teams are often understaffed, lacking advanced skills, and working in an environment of constant pressure. To gain further insight into these trends, TechTarget's Enterprise Strategy Group and the Information Systems Security Association (ISSA) surveyed IT and cybersecurity professionals at organizations all over the world.

Notable findings from this study include:



63%

of cybersecurity professionals believe that working in their profession has become more difficult over the past two years.



58%

of cybersecurity professionals have experienced a situation in which the organization they worked for was knowingly ignoring security best practices and/or regulatory compliance requirements at least once.



71%

of cybersecurity professionals believe the global cybersecurity skills shortage has impacted the organization for which they currently work.



62%

of cybersecurity professionals believe that networking with their peers is the most helpful action they can take to advance their careers.



72%

of cybersecurity professionals report that their organization's CISO actively interacts with executive management and the board of directors.

For more from this Enterprise Strategy Group study, read the full research report, *The Life and Times of Cybersecurity Professionals Volume VI*.

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